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SUBJ: IMCO: MARITIME SATELLITE CONFERENCE, SITREP 8

1. THE /WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED BY COMMITTEE II CONTINUED MEETING DURING MORNING MAY 2; COMMITTEE II REMAINED IN RECESS TO MEET AGAIN 4:30 PM MAY 2 TO CONSIDER WG REPORT.
  2. DURING MORNING SESSION, WG CONSIDERED IN RESPECT TO ESTABLISHING INITIAL INVESTMENT SHARES (A) FURTHER DATA REQUIREMENT AND (B) WHETHER OR NOT QUESTIONNAIRE SHOULD BE SENT TO GOVERNMENTS REQUESTING DATA TO REPLACE AND/OR SUPPLEMENT DATA COLLECTED BY THE MARSAT POE AND, IF A QUESTIONNAIRE WERE TO BE PREPARED AND SENT, WHAT SHOULD BE ITS FORM.
  3. CONSIDERATION OF POINTS (A) AND (B) ABOVE CONTINUED IN AFTERNOON SESSION. AGREEMENT REACHED, AND WG RECOMMENDED TO COMMITTEE II, THAT A SMALL (L0 MEMBER INCLUDING US) GROUP OF EXPERTS SHOULD BE FORMED TO
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EXAMINE DATA ALREADY AVAILABLE ON WHICH INITIAL INVEST-

MENT SHARES MIGHT BE BASED USING ANY OF (4) ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT FORMULAS REPORTED EARLIER; THIS DATA INCLUDES POE COLLECTED DATA, THAT IN IMCO FILES PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENTS AND ITU MATERIAL. THE GROUP OF EXPERTS IS TO MEET MONDAY MAY 5 AND REPORT TO COMMITTEE II AFTERNOON MAY 5.

4. IN BRIEF SESSION FOLLOWING WG ADJOURNMENT LATE MAY 2 COMMITTEE II RECEIVED REPORT ALONG LINES DESCRIBED PARA 3 ABOVE, AGREED TO WG RECOMMENDATION, ESTABLISHED GROUP OF EXPERTS AND ADJOURNED.

5. ON MAY 2, COMMITTEE I DEVOTED ENTIRE DAY TO DISCUSSION OF ASSEMBLY/COUNCIL RELATIONSHIP. IT SOON BECAME EVIDENT THAT MOST DELEGATIONS SUPPORTED STRONG COUNCIL WITH WEIGHTED VOTING, WHICH WOULD MAKE

VIRTUALLY ALL TECHNICAL, FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL DECISIONS, AND WITH ONE NATION ONE-VOTE ASSEMBLY EXERCISING ONLY OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES THESE AREAS AND MEETING INFREQUENTLY. IT APPEARS MOVE NOW UNDER WAY TO DRAFT NEW LANGUAGE WHICH WOULD SATISFY US OBJECTIONS TO USE OF LANGUAGE IN ART.11 (A) OF POE DRAFT WHICH GIVES ASSEMBLY AUTHORITY "TO DETERMINE BROAD POLICY" OF INMARSAT, WHICH US REGARDS AS VAGUE AND HAVING POSSIBILITY OF CAUSING FUTURE COUNCIL-ASSEMBLY CONFLICTS.

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